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 HOUTAN PETROLEUM, INC.

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR  
 THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

HOUTAN PETROLEUM, INC.	)	CASE NO. 07-CV-5627 SC
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
vs.	)	PLAINTIFF, HOUTAN PETROLEUM, INC.'S,
	)	OPPOSITION TO CONOCOPHILLIPS
	)	COMPANY'S MOTION IN LIMINE NO. 4
CONOCOPHILLIPS COMPANY, a Texas	)	
Corporation and DOES 1 through 10,	)	RE: EXCLUSION OF LAY OPINION AND
Inclusive	)	CONCLUSION TESTIMONY BY PLAINTIFF'S
	)	EMPLOYEES
Defendants.	)	
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TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff and Counter-Defendant, Houtan Petroleum, Inc. ("Houtan Petroleum"), hereby opposes Motion In Limine No. 4, filed by Defendant and Counter-Plaintiff, ConocoPhillips Company ("ConocoPhillips") as follows:

ConocoPhillips has filed its Motion in Limine No. 4 seeking an precluding plaintiff's current or past employees, including Ed Haddad, from testifying at trial to any opinions or conclusions.

Plaintiff opposes such Motion as follows.

ConocoPhillips' instant Motion is confusing, but seems to be limited to excluding opinion testimony from witnesses who have not been designated as experts under Rule 26 regarding the value of the subject property.

If this is what the Motion seeks to exclude, Plaintiff concedes that expert opinion testimony should be excluded on the issue of value of the property from any witness who was not designated

1 as an expert under Rule 26.

2 Respectfully submitted,

3 Dated: February 4, 2008

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